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Dear **(195 /) Department.**

Ms. **SERIES.**

G.O. No. 2829

Dated 19-6-51

[Despatch Abstract.]

Robt- South Kanara - Narayana Shetty - ~~fourth~~ Death inside lock-up in the Reformation North Station Mangalore Town - L-A. 2nd Class Papers recorded

LEGISLATURE (ASSEMBLY) SECRETARIAT.

25-11-1950.

STARRED.

SRI K. ISHWARA, M.L.A.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

*Q.No.1283.

Will the Hon. the Chief Minister ~~xxx~~ ~~Xxxx~~ be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one Sri ~~Mr.~~ Narayana Shetty, has died in the Prohibition North Station in Mangalore Town;

(b) if so, the cause ~~reason~~ for his sudden death in-side the ~~L~~ock-up; and

(c) when he was arrested and the date and time of his death?

PMK/25-11.

Rev Dept

Memo No 125601.5/50-1 of 12.12.50

(South Kanara) -
Prohibition & Narayana Shetty - death
inside the lock-up in the Prohibition
North Station, Mangalore Town - Information

Legislative Assembly Starred Qn by Sri K.
Bhavara, No 1283

The Board of Rev. (Soc) is requested to
furnish the following information:

(1) whether it is a fact that one
Sri Narayana Shetti died while in
lock-up in the Prohibition North Station, Mangalore;

(2) if so, the cause of his sudden death and

(3) when he was arrested and the
date and time of his death.

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The Bd is also requested to furnish any other relevant particulars connected with this arrest. The matter may be treated as special and a reply sent very urgently as the information is required to answer a Legislature Assembly question ~~that to be asked~~.

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To
The Bd of Rev (Exc.)

Copy to the Dt Collector
Officer, South Kanara
Mangalore.

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (EXCISE).
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Prohibition - South Kanara District - Narayana Shetty, accused - Death inside the lock-up in the Prohibition North Station, Mangalore Town - Information for Legislative Assembly Question - Furnished.

Read:- Govt. Dev. Dept. Memo.125601 S/50-1, d/ 12-12-50.

Station: Triplicane, Madras-5.
C.R.No.36220 Abk/50 XA1. Dated 16th Dec.'50.

From

Sri V. Krishnamurti, B.A.,
Asst. Secretary, Board of Revenue (Excise).

Sri V.N. Kudva, I.C.S., Member, Board of Revenue and Commissioner of Commercial Taxes.

FIRST ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
19 DEC 1950
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

REFERENCE:

The Board submits the following information in reply to the Legislative Assembly Question:-

(1) It is a fact that one Sri Narayana Shetty died while in lock-up in the Prohibition North Station, Mangalore;
(2) Death due to suicide by hanging;
(3) The accused was arrested at 12 midnight on 22-9-50 and he would have committed suicide sometime after 3 A.M. and before 7 A.M. on 23-9-50.

Full details of the case:-

The Prohibition Sub Inspector, Mangalore North Station arrested the accused at 12 midnight on 22-9-50 for possession of 2 gallons of arrack concealed in a motor tube. As the accused had no bail to offer, he was put in the lock-up at about 1.15 A.M. on 23-9-50 after making a thorough search on his person. When the lock-up room was opened in the morning, the accused was found to have committed suicide by hanging with his wearing cloth. On receipt of the information through the Sentry, the Prohibition Sub Inspector rushed to the Station and reported the matter to the Police and the Sub Divisional Magistrate. In the presence of the Stationary Sub Magistrate, Mangalore, an inquest was held over the body and the panchayatdars gave a unanimous verdict as 'suicide by hanging'. The Civil Assistant Surgeon, Mangalore, who conducted the post mortem examination, certified that the deceased would appear to have died of asphyxia as a result of hanging. Copies of the reports of inquest and post mortem certificate are enclosed. Further report on the result of the Police investigation is awaited from the District Prohibition Officer.

18/12/50

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

To

The Secretary to the Government,
Development Deptt., Fort St. George, Madras.
(with enclosures)

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Report of inquest held over the body of Narayana Shetty S/o Anandha Shetty of Mannagudda, Mangalore, held at the North Prohibition Station, Mangalore on 23-9-50.

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1. (a) D.R. Lobo, S/O Lawrence Lobo - Roman Catholic Merchant, Bockapatna.
   (b) D. Venkat Rao, S/O Srinivasa Rao - Shivalli Brahmin, Land owner, Matadakani, Boloor.
   (c) Rama Das Prabhu S/O Madhava Prabhu, G.S.B. Hotel Keeper, Matadakanai.
   (d) K.Manjunath Shet S/O Laxman Shet, Commission Agent, Chilimbi, Urva.
   (e) B.Krishnayya S/O Venkatraya, Potail of Boloor Village.
2. Narayana Shetty - Male about 42 years ~~years~~ - Bunt. Jutka driver; S/O Anandha Shetty, residing at Mannagudde.
3. By Prohibition Guard No.5 Krishnappa Naick - at 7 A.M. on 23-9-50 in the Prohibition Station Lock-up.
4. By Prohibition Guard No.5 Krishnappa and Prohibition Guard Charles D'Souza at 3 A.M. on 23-9-50 while locking him up after he attended the first call of nature.
5. Height 5'2". Medium complexion. A tatoo dot on the fore head. An old wound scar on the right shin. A faint tatoo mark on the left fore arm.
6. Married.
7. Rigor Mortis present. Hands clenched. Eyes and mouth half open. Head tilted to the left. A constriction mark round the neck extending from ear to ear. Wearing a light rose coloured shirt and a bunian. A portion of his lungi is tied to the neck with a knot.
8. The place where the body is found is the lock-up room of the North Prohibition Station, Mangalore. The room is situated to the rear of the Station House on the Southern side. The roof is tiled and sloping towards the East. There are four planks or tiles. The height of the wall on the Western side is about 12'. On the Eastern side 6'. There is a window on the Eastern wall 3' x 2' and the window sill is 20" from the floor. One portion of the coloured lungi is seen tied to the second rafter from the South, at a height of about 10' from the floor. The body is lying on the floor of the Lock-up room on its back, head towards East. The lock-up ~~room~~ ~~xxxx~~ has a door on the Northern side with two planks.
9. Suicide by hanging.
10. Nil. Not by violence.
11. (a) None suspected. (b) Not known.
12. The corpse is sent for Post Mortem Examination.
13. The corpse is sent for Post Mortem Examination on the orders of the S.S.M. Mangalore in charge of P.C.No.702 of Mangalore North Station to ascertain the cause of ~~the~~ death. Sent on 23-9-50 at 1 P.M.
14. Nil.

rafters. The ceiling is not covered by either by

15. The Panchayatdars unanimously opine that the deceased Narayana Shetty, who was arrested on 22-9-50 night by the North Prohibition Station Sub Inspector with the possession of 2 gallons of I.D. arrack in a motor tube, and who was locked up in the said Station Lock-up, sometimes after 3 A.M. and before 7 A.M. on 23-9-50 committed suicide by hanging from the rafter with the help of his own lungi. The Panchatdars further opine that he committed suicide because he could not face the disgrace of a trial in the court for a Prohibition offence.

16. (a) Sd. D.R.Lobo.
(b) Sd. D.Venkat Rao.
(c) " Ramadas Prabhu.
(d) " Manjunatha Shet.
(e) " B. Krishnaraya.

17. Sd. Fernandes. Stationary Sub Magistrate, Mangalore.

18 to 25. Nil.

26. Inquest commenced at 12 Noon on 23-9-50. Inquest closed at 1 P.M. on 23-9-50 Sd. Fernandes. Stationary Sub Magistrate, Mangalore. 23-9-50.

Sd. For Dt. Pro. Officer,
South Kanara District.

True Copy.

Post Mortem Certificate:-

No.18/50.

Regarding the body of a male aged about 42 years named Narayana Shetty.

Requisition received at 2 P.M. on 23-9-50 from the S.S.M. Mangalore with his letter No.Nil dated 23-9-50. Body in charge of Police Constable No.702 named Purshotam.

Identification and Caste Marks:

1. A mole over the front of left shoulder.
2. An old scar 1½" long below the chin - left side.
3. A scar over the pit of the stomach.

The body was first seen by the undersigned at 3.30 P.M. on 23-9-50. His condition then was cold, rigor mortis present in both extremities. Post Mortem commenced at 3.30 P.M. on 23-9-50.

Appearances found at the Post Mortem. - Features - Pale and Calm; eyes partically closed; pupils dilated; tongue drawn in; trail of saliva running down through the left angle of the mouth on the chin; teeth complete; discharge of semen; hands clenched - a dark band 1½" above the cricoide cartilege, the knot mark being over left side, the skin indenated and wrinkled on incision the structure underneath congested, hard and leathery

Heart: 8 ozs. weight, right cavity contains dark blood and clot - left cavity empty. Lungs: Weight left 20 ozs. right 20 ozs. section excedes dark frolly blood. congested. Lanjux: conjusted; Stomach: contains about 2 ozs. of digested liquid-food. Lever: Weight 40 ozs. smooth, slate coloured. Gall bladder full. Spleen: Weight 4 ozs. - conjusted; kidneys each 4 ozs. conjusted bladder contains 2 ozs. of urine. Head:

wide behind, 1¼" all round oblique, 1¼"

Head: No injury to skull membranes vascular. Brain weight 52 ozs. engorged with blood; Spine: No injury.

Opinion as to cause of death.

(a) --
(b) The deceased would appear to have died of asphyxia as a result of hanging.

Station - Mangalore.
Dated 24-9-50.

Name: Sd. U. Maruthi Rao.
Rank: Civil Assistant Surgeon.
Class: 1 M.M.S.

True Copy.

Senior Superintendent.

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Development Department

U.O.Note No. 125601 S/50- 2 dated 16.1.57

LEGISLATIVE (ASSEMBLY) SECRETARIAT

QUESTION NO. 1283 (STARRED) By Sri K. Ishwara, M.L.A.

*Q.No.1283.-	Answer--
Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state--	
(a) Whether it is a fact that one Sri Narayana-Shetty, has died in the Prohibition North Station in Mangalore Town;	(a) Yes.
(b) if so, the cause for his sudden death inside the lock-up; and	(b) Death was due to suicide by hanging.
(c) when he was arrested and the date and time of his death?	(c) The accused was arrested at 12 midnight on 22-9-1950 for possession of 2 gallons of arrack concealed in a motor tube. The accused is reported to have committed suicide some time between 3 and 7 a.m. on 23-9-1950.

To
The Secty. of the Legr. (5 copies)
(Assembly section).
Copy to
Public (E) Dept. [redacted])
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Please see the PSD's Reference overleaf. The main file on the subject relates to an L.A. Qn (Starred) A draft answer based on the Board's main report has already been circulated to HM(Robin) on 28/12/50 for approval. It doesn't seem necessary to raise the draft answer already sent. This may, however, be sent to HM (Robin) for information.

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BOARD OF REVENUE(EXCISE)DEPARTMENT

27435/49

Subject:- Prohibition-South Kanara District-Narayana Shetty-accused-death inside the lock-up in the Prohibition North Station-Mangalore Town-Information from Legislative Assembly question-

Read:-Govt.Dev.Dept.,Memo.No.125601 S/50-1,dated 12-12-50.
Board's reference C.R.36220-Abk/50-XA1,dated 14-12-50.

C.R.No. 36220-Abk/50-XA1

From Egmore,Triplicane,Madras,5, Dated 4-1-51.

Sri V. Krishnamurti,B.A.,
Assistant Secretary,Board of Revenue(Excise)

To

Sri V.N. Kudva,I.C.S.,
Member,Board of Revenue and Commissioner of Commercial Taxes.

FINANCE DEPT. SECRETARIAT TO GOVERNMENT
8 JAN 1951
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

L.Dis:-

In continuation of its reference cited, the Board submits that the deceased's son put in a petition to the Police to the effect that his father's death was due to manhandling by the Prohibition staff. The Police is reported to have lodged it on the face of the inquest and the post-mortem certificates according to which the death was due to hanging.

Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government,Development Department.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Development Department

U.O. Note No. 125601 S/50-2 dated 16--1--1951

MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY QUESTION NO. 1283 (STARRED) BY Sri K. Ishwara, M.L.A.-

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(b) if so, the cause for his sudden death inside the lock-up;

and (c) when he was arrested and the date and time of his death?

ANSWER

Clause(a)-- Yes.

Clause(b)-- Death was due to suicide by hanging.

Clause(c)-- The accused was arrested at 12 midnight on 22-9--1950 for possession of 2 gallons of arrack concealed in a motor tube. The accused is reported to have committed suicide some time between 3 and 7 a.m. on 23-9-1950.

for DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

9/2/51

To
The Secretariat of the Madras Legislature
(Assembly Section) 5 copies.

The Public (Elections) Department.

(THE ABOVE ANSWER HAS BEEN APPROVED BY
THE HON'BLE SRI N. SANJEEVA REDDI,
MINISTER FOR PROHIBITION).

JK 17/1.

Answered by Hon. on 9/2/51

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Alleged death of Sri Narayana Shetti.

884 *Q.*—SRI K. ISHWARA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Prohibition be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that one Sri Narayana Shetti has died in the Prohibition North Station in Mangalore town;

(*b*) if so, the cause for his sudden death inside the lock-up; and

(*c*) when he was arrested and the date and time of his death?

THE HON. SRI N. SANJEEVA REDDI:—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) Death was due to suicide by hanging.

" (*c*) The accused was arrested at 12 midnight on 22nd September 1950 for possession of 2 gallons of arrack concealed in a motor tube. The accused is reported to have committed suicide some time between 3 and 7 a.m. on 23rd September 1950."

SRI S. NAGAPPA:—" May I ask, Sir, whether the accused committed suicide when he was in the custody of the Police or the Prohibition staff? May I ask how the staff allowed him to commit suicide? Were they negligent? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANJEEVA REDDI:—" When we say that he was arrested at 12 midnight, it evidently means he was in custody. He must have committed suicide perhaps when people did not see him hanging himself."

JANAB K. M. SEETHI:—" May I ask, Sir, whether the Government have received any complaint from any section of the public about the death of this person? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANJEEVA REDDI:—" The son of the deceased complained, and it was enquired into. It was declared that it was a case of suicide."

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE
8 DEC 1950

Madras Legis. 3,002—13-8-49.

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 7.12. 1950

QUESTION No. 1283 for the meeting of the Legislative Assembly ~~to be held on the~~ which commenced on 4th December 1950

Two copies of this question are forwarded to the Home Department.

The question has been admitted.

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To

The Home Department.

V.O. 8351/50-1 M.L
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Home Department

The L.A.Q in the c.f relates to South Kanara district in which prohibition is enforced by the Excise staff. The file may therefore be transferred to Development with the request that they may arrange the necessary intimation of the transfer of the Question to the Legislature Secretariat

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To BS

Please see the note of Home at p1 ante. Necessary particulars may be called for from the Board to answer the LA question in the CF. Draft memo. embd. below is for approval. A draft no note to the Leg. Sett. is also embd.

12/50 Rly 12/12/50

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Issued as Memo. No. 125601 S/50-1 dt 12.12.50 to Board ante 2-3 CF

From the Bd. of Rev (Exc) CA No. 36220 ABL/50 XA1 dt 16.12.50 ante 4-7 CF

To BS

Please see the Board's report at ante 4-7 CF. The further report referred to at x at p 4 CF. need not be awaited. A draft answer to the starred LA. question in the CF is embd. below. ~~For approval~~ May be circulated to HM (Home) for approval

Rly 27.12.50 Rly 28-12-50 AS SR 11/1

27/12/50 Rly 27/12/50

To BS

11.1.51

Please see the orders in circulation above. Attention is invited to the Bd's further report separately circulated to HM for information (since added at ante 8-10 CF). Write reply to HM's orders at ante 10 CF ~~to it~~

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 1 JAN 51 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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pp 9-10 CF

The BD's further Report has been added to this file. The draft answer approved on circulation may issue.

Dy 12.1.57

Dy 12.1.57 M 16.1.57

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Issued as No Note No. 125601S/50-2 of 16.1.57 to Assembly Secl from the Bd officer (Exec) CR 36220 OSK/50 x 81 of 4.1.57

To AS

The Assembly question ~~was to be~~ answered by Hy on 9.3.57 vide p 10 CF. This may lie over till 15.5.57 for the receipt of the printed proceedings of the Assembly.

Dy 14.3.57

14.3.57

To AS

Please see the extract from the printed proceedings of the Leg. Assembly relating to the starred question in this file, at p 11 CR. No further action is called for. The papers may be ~~closed~~ closed as

GO Nos. 2829 dt 19.6.57

Dy 18/6/57

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